

CLAIMS

1. A box for dispensing a length of cable wound around a spool positioned in the box comprising,

5 a box having continuous opposite sides, opposite ends and a top and bottom,
an opening in one end wall, and means forming a handle grip in the box, and
a cable spool support positioned within the box and including opposed rigid
supports parallel to one another and shaped to support opposite ends of a spindle upon
which cable is wound with the free end of the cable extending outwardly of the box.

10 2. A box for dispensing cable, the box comprising:

a pair of opposed, rectangular side walls;
a front wall adjacent to each of the pair of side walls;
a back wall adjacent to each of the pair of side walls and opposite from the front
wall;
15 a top wall adjacent to each of the pair of side walls, the front wall and the back
wall;
bottom wall adjacent to each of the pair of side walls and opposite the top wall;
a panel in a wall of the box, adapted to be displaced to provide an opening in the
wall; and

20 a cable spool support located in the box, the support including journals to support
a spindle of a spool of cable for dispensing cable from the spool in the box, wherein the
cable spool support comprises a pair of rigid supports positioned adjacent opposite walls
and each closely fitting at least portions of five walls, each of said supports including a
journal integrally formed in the support and shaped to receive an end of a spindle
25 supporting a spool of wire, said spool of wire including a spindle, with the spool
positioned between the supports one from the other, the end of the wire on the spools
removable from the box through said opening.

3. The box as set forth in claim 2 wherein each of the pair of rigid supports
30 are made of cardboard.

4. The box as set forth in claim 3 wherein the box and each of the pair of
rigid supports are formed from a single sheet of cardboard.

5. The box as set forth in claim 2 wherein each of the pair of rigid supports have a U-shape, with the journal of each support defined by the bight of the U-shape.

5 6. The box as set forth in claim 2 wherein each of the pair of rigid supports are comprised of an expanded polystyrene plastic.

7. A box as set forth in claim 5 having a panel in one of the front or back walls, said panel shaped and sized to be moved from a position in a plane common with
10 the front or back wall to a position at least in part engaging the cable on the spool.

8. A box as set forth in claim 7 wherein said panel is adapted to be folded along a line intermediate the ends and to be hinged along a parallel line for movement from and to said plane.

15 9. A box as set forth in claim 3 wherein each of said rigid supports comprise an internal panel integrally connected to the upper edge of a side wall and folded inwardly against the inner surface of said side wall.

20 10. A box as set forth in claim 9 wherein the internal panel is formed with an opening having a lower edge that extends transversely across a portion of the internal panel at a spaced distance from the lower edge of the side wall forming a supporting surface for an end of the spindle.

25 11. A box as set forth in claim 10 having spacers integrally connected to the lower edge of the internal support and folded between the internal support and side wall to form a reinforcing member for said supporting surface.